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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

The attention of the Examiner and of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references cited in the European Search Report, a copy of which is attached. Copies of the references are forwarded herewith and are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449.

The attention of the Examiner and of the Patent and Trademark Office is also hereby directed to the references mentioned below which were cited during the prosecution of a corresponding German application.

German reference DE 196 05 635 C2 was cited by the German examiner for showing a device for dressing a card clothing, especially an all-steel sawtooth clothing, drawn over a cylindrical drum, with a dressing system that can be moved along a path predetermined by a guide element, wherein at least one element of the dressing system can be advanced in a direction that runs transversely, especially perpendicularly, to the predetermined path.

German reference DE 34 06160 A1 was cited by the German examiner for showing a grinding machine for a rolling mill in which a support post which is displaceable relative to a principal body is movable toward and away from the work roll. While moving the support post in and out, a hydraulic cylinder unit is provided in the form of an advancing device which can carry out the adjustment of at least one element of the processing unit.

German reference DE 34 06 160 A1 as additionally cited by the German Examiner for showing a grinding machine which is capable of carrying out a method for processing a roll as set forth in claim 19 of the present application.

With the submission of this admitted prior art, applicant thus complies with the duty of disclosure as set forth at 37 CFR 1.56.

Respectfully submitted,

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